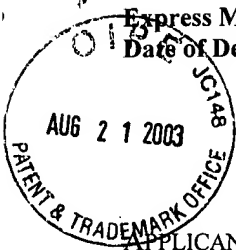


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed February 21, 2003 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before August 21, 2003. A check in the amount of \$465.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 25669-013. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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